

CenturyTel Welcomes You

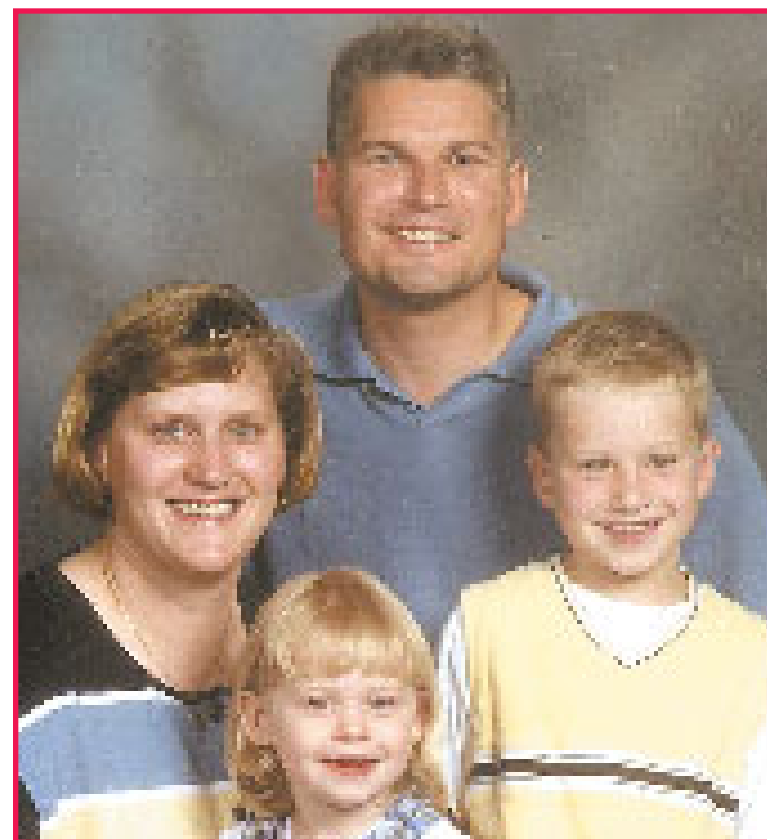
From our family to yours, welcome to the 76th annual National Cherry Festival! CenturyTel is once again proud to be the presenting sponsor and we are excited to continue our relationship with the Festival. For over a decade we have been able to help bring many great family events for you to take pleasure in.

The National Cherry Festival offers something for all ages. From world record cherry sundaes to cherry pit spitting contests, from carnival rides to great names in music, from bed races to parades. Through our sponsorship, along with many other companies and the dedication of hundreds of volunteers, the majority of these

festival events are free. We invite you to visit the CenturyTel tent in the Festival Open Space Park to have a free caricature drawing and dried cherries. While you are there learn more about the many products and services we offer throughout Michigan. As the nation's eighth largest telecommunications company, CenturyTel offers wireless services, high speed internet, and long distance in addition to traditional landline phone service.

Thank you for attending the 2002 National Cherry Festival. Enjoy the festivities, enjoy the views, enjoy the hospitality. We hope you have a wonderful time!

— Chris Pieri
General Manager CenturyTel



Chris Pieri and family.

Dear Friends,

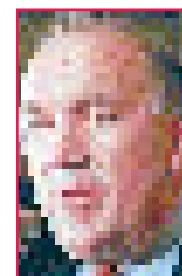
As Governor of the State of Michigan, it gives me and my family great pleasure to invite visitors to the 76th National Cherry Festival and to Traverse City, the Cherry Capital of the World!

The National Cherry Festival is a fun-filled, family event that celebrates the rich history of the cherry industry in the Grand Traverse region — the nation's largest

exporter of tart cherries.

While you are here, we hope that you and your family will take time to explore and enjoy the scenic beauty of Northern Michigan. In Traverse City, you will find all the amenities of a metropolitan area, packaged in a small town America atmosphere.

Enjoy your stay in the heart of cherry country!



John Engler
Governor,
State of Michigan

Greetings from the National Cherry Festival President

We are pleased to welcome you to the 76th National Cherry Festival. This year's festivities will be marked by a very patriotic flavor. After Sept. 11, we all have a new and heightened awareness of community. NationalCherry Festival volunteers will offer your family exciting events and activities, and an opportunity to celebrate the wonderful country that we are so fortunate to live in.

The Navy Blue Angels will fly over the Bay, kicking off eight days of

Festival fun. We will offer events for children at F& M park, Bay Side concerts, wonderful food, cherry pie eating and pit spit competitions, craft and antique car shows, band competitions, cherry ice cream sundae desserts, and three parades to entertain you. As you can see, we have something for everyone!

We are pleased to have you join us and hope you have as much fun at the National Cherry Festival as we have making it happen.



Barbara A. Lemcool,
President